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1. BEGIN SUMMARY: IN THE APRIL 3 INFORMAL SESSION OF THE
VIENNA TALKS, THE ALLIES WERE REPRESENTED BY THE CANADIAN,
UK, AND US REPS AND THE EAST BY SOVIET REPS TARASOV AND
SHUSTOV, GDR REP OESER, AND POLISH REP STRULKA. MILITARY
ADVISORS WERE ALSO PRESENT.

2. BY AGREEMENT, THIS SESSION WAS DEVOTED TO QUESTIONS FROM
EACH SIDE CONCERNING ALLOCATION OF MILITARY MANPOWER BETWEEN
MAJOR FORMATIONS AND OTHER THAN MAJOR FORMATIONS IN THE DATA
EXCHANGED ON MARCH 15. EASTERN REPS ANSWERED THE QUESTION ON
ALLOCATION OF HELICOPTER PERSONNEL BETWEEN THE TWO CATEGORIES
OF MAJOR FORMATIONS AND OTHERS WHICH WAS ASKED BY THE WEST ON
MARCH 16, AND EASTERN REPS ASKED THREE QUESTIONS ABOUT WESTERN
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ALLOCATION OF WESTERN FORCES BETWEEN MAJOR FORMATIONS AND
OTHERS. WESTERN REPS ANSWERED THESE EASTERN QUESTIONS AND
ASKED SEVERAL QUESTIONS ABOUT EASTERN DATA. EASTERN REPS ANSWERED
THREE OF THESE QUESTIONS AND SAID THEY WOULD ANSWER OTHERS
LATER. IT WAS AGREED TO HOLD THE NEXT SESSION ON APRIL 4, 1978.
AIR FORCE DATA IS TO BE EXCHANGED ON THAT OCCASION.

3. IN VIEW OF THE INTEREST OF WASHINGTON AGENCIES IN DETAILS OF THE DISCUSSION WITH THE EAST OF THE NEW EASTERN DATA, WE ARE TRANSMITTING THE RECORD OF THE INFORMAL BY TELEGRAM
END SUMMARY

3. GDR REP WELCOMED PARTICIPANTS AND SAID EASTERN REPS WOULD LIKE TO START THE PROCEEDINGS WITH THE REPLY TO THE QUESTION WHICH WESTERN REPS HAD RAISED IN THE MARCH 16 SESSION. IN THAT SESSION, WESTERN REPS HAD ASKED, COULD EASTERN REPS TELL THE WEST IN WHICH FIGURES, MAJOR FORMATIONS OR OTHER, THE PERSONNEL OF HELICOPTER UNITS AND SUBUNITS ASSIGNED TO THE GROUND FORCES OF EACH DIRECT PARTICIPANT WERE COUNTED. IF THEY WERE DIVIDED BETWEEN THE TWO CATEGORIES, WOULD EASTERN REPS DESCRIBE THE FORMULA USED TO ALLOCATE THEM.

4. GDR REP SAID THE EAST'S ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION WAS THAT ALL HELICOPTER UNITS AND SUBUNITS FORMING A PART OF THE ARMIES, ARMED FORCES GROUPS AND MILITARY DISTRICTS OF THE EASTERN PARTICIPANT STATES, EXCEPT FOR THE HELICOPTER UNITS SUBORDINATE TO THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES GROUP IN THE GDR, HAD BEEN COUNTED IN THE NUMERICAL STRENGTH OF GROUND FORCES BELONGING TO MAJOR FORMATIONS. THE PERSONNEL OF HELICOPTER UNITS DIRECTLY SUBORDINATE TO THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE OF THE GDR, POLISH PEOPLES' REPUBLIC AND CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC, AND TO THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE SOVIET ARMED FORCE GROUP IN THE GDR, HAD BEEN COUNTED IN THE NUMERICAL STRENGTH OF GROUND FORCES
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NOT BELONGING TO MAJOR FORMATIONS.

5. UK REP, DRAWING ON TALKING POINTS APPROVED BY THE AD HOC GROUP, SAID THAT WESTERN REPS WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN BY ANSWERING THE QUESTION WHICH EASTERN REPS HAD ASKED AT THE LAST MEETING ON MARCH 16 AS TO HOW THE WEST HAD COUNTED PERSONNEL ON ITS SIDE IN UNITS AND FORMATIONS WHICH WERE NOT SUBORDINATE TO NATO IN PEACETIME. THE WEST'S REPLY WAS AS FOLLOWS: BOTH SIDES HAD AGREED TO INCLUDE IN THEIR FIGURES ALL ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL IN THE REDUCTION AREA AS OF JANUARY 1, 1976, WHETHER OR NOT THESE PERSONNEL WERE AT THAT TIME COMMITTED TO OR SUBORDINATE TO THE COMMAND OF THEIR RESPECTIVE ALLIANCES. THIS HAD BEEN DONE IN WESTERN DATA. ALL OF THE ARMY CORPS IN THE GROUND FORCES OF WESTERN DIRECT PARTICIPANTS WERE COMMITTED TO NATO, THAT IS, THEY FELL UNDER NATO'S INTEGRATED COMMAND STRUCTURE. THESE ARMY CORPS WERE, OF COURSE, COUNTED UNDER MAJOR FORMATIONS. ALL ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL IN UNITS AND FORMATIONS WHICH WERE NOT COMMITTED TO NATO WERE INCLUDED IN THE SECOND CATEGORY, THAT OF PERSONNEL NOT IN MAJOR FORMATIONS.

6. UK REP STATED THAT WHILE PARTICIPANTS WERE ADDRESSING THIS TOPIC, WESTERN REPS WOULD LIKE TO ASK EASTERN REPS THE SAME

QUESTION AS REGARDS THE FIGURES WHICH THE EAST HAD PRESENTED.
THAT IS, IN WHICH OF THE TWO GROUPS OF FIGURES--MAJOR FORMATIONS
OR OTHER--HAD EASTERN DIRECT PARTICIPANTS COUNTED THE PERSONNEL
IN THOSE UNITS, SUBUNITS AND FORMATIONS OF THEIR GROUND FORCES
WHICH WERE NOT COMMITTED TO OR ASSIGNED TO THE WARSAW TREATY
ORGANIZATION? HAD THESE PERSONNEL BEEN ALLOCATED TO THE SAME
CATEGORY BY EACH OF THE EASTERN DIRECT PARTICIPANTS?

7. UK REP SAID WESTERN REPS HAD SOME ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS AS TO
HOW THE EAST HAD ALLOCATED PERSONNEL BETWEEN THE TWO GROUPS
OF FIGURES, BUT IF EASTERN REPS WISHED, PARTICIPANTS COULD
PAUSE TO PERMIT THE EAST TO ANSWER NOW THE QUESTIONS HE HAD
JUST POSED.

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8. EASTERN REPS INDICATED THEY WOULD PREFER THAT WESTERN REPS
CONTINUE WITH THEIR QUESTIONS

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9. DRAWING ON TALKING POINTS APPROVED BY THE AD HOC GROUP,

ACTING CANADIAN REP SAID THAT WESTERN REPS HAD SOME ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS ADESIGNED TO CLARIFY THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THE EAST HAD ALLOCATED PERSONNEL BETWEEN THE TWO CATEGORIES OF FIGURES IN GROUND FORCE MANPOWER. THAT IS, BETWEEN MAJOR FORMATIONS AND OTHER.

10. FIRST, AT THE LAST MEETING ON MARCH 16, AMBASSADOR TARASOV HAD SAID THAT PERSONNEL OF THE SOVIET GROUPS OF FORCES STATIONED IN POLAND AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA WHO WERE IN SUBUNITS OF CENTRAL SUBORDINATION HAD BEEN INCLUDED IN THE CATEGORY OF PERSONNEL NOT IN MAJOR FORMATIONS. COULD EASTERN REPS TELL THE WEST PRECISELY WHAT THE TERM QUOTE CENTRAL SUBORDINATION UNQUOTE MEANT? WESTERN REPS ALSO WOULD LIKE THE EASTERN DEFINITION OF THE TERM "SUBUNIT". WERE THERE ANY CENTRALLY SUBORDINATED SOVIET PERSONNEL IN THE GDR?

11. CANADIAN REP SATATED THAT, SECOND, AMBASSADOR
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TARASOV HAD ALSO SAID ON MARCH 16 THAT THE EAST'S FIGURE FOR SOVIET GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL IN MAJOR FORMATIONS, INCLUDED THE PERSONNEL OF ALL THE FORMATIONS, UNITS, AND SUBUNITS SUBORDINATE TO THE ARMIES OF THE SOVIET GROUP OF FORCES STATIONED IN THE TERRITORY OF THE GDR. WESTERN REPS WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THOSE PERSONNEL OF THE GROUP OF SOVIET FORCES IN THE GDR WHOM THE EAST HAD COUNTED IN ITS FIGURE FOR MAJOR FORMATIONS CONSISTED ONLY OF THE PERSONNEL OF FORMATIONS AND UNITS SUBORDINATE TO THE SOVIET ARMIES THERE IN THE GDR. THAT IS, IN WHICH CATEGORY HAD THE EAST INCLUDED THE PERSONNEL OF FORMATIONS AND UNITS DIRECTLY SUBORDINATE TO COMMAND OF THE SOVIET GROUP OF FORCES IN THE GDR BUT NOT INCLUDED IN THE SOVIET ARMIES IN THE GDR?

12. CANADIAN REP SAID THAT, FINALLY, WESTERN REPS WERE NOT QUITE CLEAR IN THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF THE EAST'S ANSWER TO ONE OF THE WEST'S INITIAL QUESTIONS. THE QUESTION, WHICH HAD BEEN ASKED ON MARCH 15, WAS QUOTE DO THE FIGURES FOR GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL IN MAJOR FORMATIONS OF THE GDR, OF POLAND, AND OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA INCLUDE, IN EACH CASE, THE PERSONNEL OF ALL UNITS AND COMMANDS SUBORDINATE TO THE HEADQUARTERS OF MILITARY DISTRICTS OF THESE COUNTRIES? UNQUOTE. IN HIS REPLY ON MARCH 16, AMBASSADOR TARASOV HAD SAID QUOTE THE FIGURES FOR THE STRENGTH OF THE FORCES OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC AND CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC INCLUDED THE PERSONNEL OF ALL UNITS AND COMMANDS SUBORDINATE TO THE HEADQUARTERS OF MILITARY DISTRICTS OF THESE COUNTRIES UNQUOTE. WESTERN REPS ASSUMED AMBASSADOR TARASOV HAD MEANT THAT ALL SUCH PERSONNEL WERE INCLUDED IN THE FIGURES FOR MAJOR FORMATIONS,

BUT THE WEST WOULD LIKE EASTERN REPS TO CONFIRM THIS.

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13. POLISH REP SAID EASTERN REPS PROPOSED TO REPLY TO ALL OF THE QUESTIONS WESTERN REPS HAD JUST RAISED AT THE NEXT INFORMAL SESSION. FOR THEIR PART, EASTERN REPS HAD THREE QUESTIONS FOR THE WEST.

14. POLISH REP SAID FIRST, INTO WHICH CATEGORIES OF DATA ON THE NUMERICAL STRENGTH OF GROUND FORCES HAD THERE BEEN INCLUDED THE PERSONNEL OF THE TERRITORIAL COMMANDS OF THE FRG, OF THE NATIONAL TERRITORIAL COMMAND OF THE NETHERLANDS, AND OF THE TERRITORIAL AND INTERNAL FORCES OF BELGIUM?

15. POLISH REP, SAID SECOND, WERE THERE ANY MILITARY FORMATIONS OTHER THAN ARMY CORPS IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE NATO STATES WHICH THE WEST HAD INCLUDED IN THE FIRST CATEGORY?

16. POLISH REP SAID, THIRD, INTO WHICH CATEGORY HAD THE MANPOWER OF HELICOPTER UNITS AND SUBUNITS OF THE GROUND FORCES OF THE WESTERN COUNTRIES BEEN INCLUDED IN THE FIGURES OF NUMERICAL STRENGTH OF FORCES IN MAJOR FORMATIONS OR IN THE CATEGORY OF FORCES OTHER THAN PERSONNEL IN THESE FORMATIONS? IF THE MANPOWER OF HELICOPTER UNITS HAD BEEN DIVIDED BETWEEN THE TWO CATEGORIES, THEN EASTERN REPS WOULD LIKE TO KNOW ACCORDING TO WHAT FORMULA SUCH DIVISION HAD BEEN MADE FOR EACH WESTERN DIRECT PARTICIPANT.

17. US REP SAID HE WOULD TRY TO ANSWER SOME OF THESE EASTERN QUESTIONS.

18. DRAWING ON TALKING POINTS APPROVED BY THE AD HOC GROUP, US REP SAID, WITH REGARD TO THE FIRST QUESTION ON THE PERSONNEL OF THE FRG TERRITORIAL FORCES, THE ANSWER WAS THAT THE ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL OF THE FRG TERRITORIAL ARMY HAD

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BEEN COUNTED IN THE SECOND CATEGORY, THAT OF PERSONNEL NOT IN MAJOR FORMATIONS. WITH REGARD TO BELGIUM AND THE NETHERLANDS, THE ANSWER WAS THAT THE PERSONNEL OF TERRITORIAL FORCES OF BELGIM AND THE NETHERLANDS HAD BEEN COUNTED IN THE SECOND CATEGORY OF PERSONNEL NOT IN MAJOR FORMATIONS.

19. US REP SAID POLISH REP'S SECOND QUESTION HAD BEEN, ARE THERE ANY MILITARY FORMATIONS OTHER THAN ARMY CORPS IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE NATO STATES WHICH WERE INCLUDED UNDER MAJOR FORMATIONS? THE ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION WAS THAT ALL GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL OF ALL UNITS AND FORMATIONS SUBORDINATE TO NATO CORPS IN THE AREA HAD BEEN COUNTED IN THE FIGURES FOR MAJOR FORMATIONS IN THE AREA AND THAT ONLY THE PERSONNEL OF UNITS AND FORMATIONS SUBORDINATE TO NATO CORPS IN THE AREA HAD BEEN COUNTED IN THE FIGURES FOR MAJOR FORMATIONS.

20. US REP ASKED WHETHER THIS ANSWER ADDRESSED THE QUESTION WHICH THE EAST HAD IN MIND. EASTERN REPS REPLIED THAT IT DID.
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21. US REP SAID THE POLISH REP'S THIRD QUESTION HAD BEEN, IN WHAT CATEGORY HAD THE PERSONNEL OF WESTERN HELICOPTER UNITS BEEN COUNTED. THE ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION WAS THAT WESTERN GROUND FORCE HELICOPTER PERSONNEL HAD BEEN COUNTED IN BOTH SETS OF FIGURES. THOSE HELICOPTER PERSONNEL IN UNITS SUBORDINATE TO CORPS HAD BEEN COUNTED IN THE FIGURES FOR MAJOR FORMATIONS. THOSE PERSONNEL IN HELICOPTER UNITS NOT SUBORDINATE TO CORPS HAD BEEN COUNTED IN THE SECOND CATEGORY. HELICOPTER PERSONNEL OF BELGIUM AND THE NETHERLANDS HAD BEEN COUNTED UNDER MAJOR FORMATIONS. FRG, UK AND US PERSONNEL WERE INCLUDED IN BOTH CATEGORIES AND HAD BEEN DIVIDED ACCORDING TO THE PRINCIPLE HE HAD JUST DESCRIBED.

22. US REP SAID HE HAD SOME ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS TO PUT TO THE EAST. DRAWING ON TALKING POINTS APPROVED BY THE AD HOC GROUP, US REP SAID, ON JULY 15, 1977, AMB TARASOV HAD STATED THAT QUOTE PERSONNEL OF THE UNITS AND SUBUNITS SUPPORTING MORE THAN ONE BRANCH OF THE ARMED FORCES, FOR EXAMPLE, THE GROUND AND AIR FORCES, HAD BEEN INCLUDED IN GROUND FORCE MANPOWER UNQUOTE. WESTERN REPS WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IN WHICH CATEGORY OF GROUND FORCE MANPOWER, MAJOR FORMATIONS OR OTHER, THE EAST HAD COUNTED SUCH PERSONNEL. AND IN WHICH CATEGORY HAD THE FORMATIONS, UNITS OR SUBUNITS WHOSE FUNCTION WAS TO SUPPORT GROUND, AIR AND NAVAL FORCES TOGETHER BEEN COUNTED? NEXT, DID THE PERSONNEL OF PIPELINE UNITS FALL INTO THE SAME CATEGORIES INTO WHICH THE EAST HAD COUNTED PERSONNEL WHO SERVED MORE THAN ONE BRANCH OF SERVICE AND WHOM THE EAST HAD COUNTED AS GROUND FORCE MANPOWER. IN OTHER WORDS, IN WHICH OF THE CATEGORIES WERE PERSONNEL OF PIPELINE UNITS COUNTED?

23. US REP SAID THAT ON MARCH 1, 1977, THE POLISH REP HAD SAID THAT QUOTE THE VOYEVOdstVO MILITARY STAFFS OF THE POLISH
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PEOPLES' REPUBLIC WERE COMPOSED OF SERVICEMEN BELONGING TO THE PROFESSIONAL STAFF OF THE POLISH TERRITORIAL FORCES. FOR THIS REASON, THEY HAD BEEN INCLUDED BY EASTERN PARTICIPANTS IN COUNTING THE NUMERICAL STRENGTH OF WARSAW TREATY ARMED FORCES UNQUOTE. WESTERN REPS WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IN WHICH OF THE TWO CATEGORIES OF POLISH MILITARY PERSONNEL THE PERSONNEL OF VOYEVOdstVO MILITARY STAFFS HAD BEEN INCLUDED.

24. US REP SAID THE NEXT QUESTION WAS IN WHICH CATEGORY OF GROUND FORCE MANPOWER OF POLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND GDR HAD EASTERN PARTICIPANTS INCLUDED PERSONNEL WORKING IN DEPOTS, CENTRAL STORAGE FACILITIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE CENTERS?

25. US REP SAID THE NEXT QUESTION WAS IN WHICH CATEGORY OF GROUND FORCE MANPOWER HAD THE RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION AND ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION TROOPS OF POLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, AND GDR BEEN COUNTED?

26. US REP SAID THE NEXT QUESTION WAS, ON MARCH 15 IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXCHANGE OF DATA, WESTERN REPS HAD ASKED WHETHER THERE WERE ANY EASTERN GROUND FORCE DIVISIONS--TANK, MOTORIZED, AIRBORNE OR ARTILLERY--WHOSE PERSONNEL HAD NOT BEEN COUNTED IN THE FIGURES FOR MAJOR FORMATIONS. AMB TARASOV HAD REPLIED THAT THERE WERE NO DIVISIONS WHOSE PERSONNEL HAD NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN THE FIGURES FOR MAJOR FORMATIONS. WESTERN REPS WOULD LIKE TO ASK WHETHER THIS REPLY MEANT THAT THE ARTILLERY DIVISION OF THE SOVIET GROUP OF FORCES IN THE GDR HAD BEEN INCLUDED IN THE FIGURE FOR SOVIET GROUND FORCE MANPOWER IN MAJOR FORMATIONS.

27. US REP ASKED WHETHER THE POLISH AIRBORNE DIVISION HAD BEEN COUNTED IN THE FIGURE FOR POLISH GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL SUBORDINATE TO MILITARY DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS.

28. US REP SAID WESTERN REPS ASSUMED THAT THE POLISH SEA LANDING DIVISION HAD NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN THE EASTERN FIGURE FOR POLISH GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL. WAS THIS CORRECT?

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29. US REP SAID WESTERN REPS' LAST QUESTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
ON FEBRUARY 15, 1977, WESTERN REPS HAD GIVEN EASTERN

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REPS A LIST OF THOSE TYPES OF UNITS, FORMATIONS AND COMMANDS WHICH EASTERN REPS HAD EARLIER DESCRIBED AS NOT FALLING UNDER THE CATEGORIES OF WHAT EASTERN REPS CALL COMBAT, COMBAT SUPPORT, AND COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT. (US REP DISTRIBUTED FOLLOWING LIST TO EASTERN REPS). HE SAID THAT WESTERN REPS WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IN WHICH OF THE TWO CATEGORIES OF GROUND FORCE MANPOWER EACH INDIVIDUAL EASTERN DIRECT PARTICIPANT HAD

COUNTED ITS PERSONNEL WHO PERFORMED THE FUNCTIONS LISTED ON THIS LIST.

LIST GIVEN TO EASTERN REPS IN APRIL 3 INFORMAL SESSION

1. PERFORMING GUARD DUTY FOR DEPOTS, BASES, AND MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.
2. ASSIGNED TO FIRE BRIGADES FOR GARRISONS, BASES, AND DEPOTS.
3. IN MAINTENANCE ENTERPRISES NOT BELONGING TO UNITS (VOYSKA) BUT SEPARATE FROM THEM.
4. IN MILITARY TRADE ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS COMMISSARIES AND SECRET

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POST EXCHANGES OR CANTEENS.

5. IN CONSTRUCTION UNITS CONCERNED WITH INFRASTRUCTURE SUCH AS ROAD, BRIDGE AND AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION UNITS AND ENTERPRISES.
6. IN CENTRAL MEDICAL SERVICES.
7. IN MILITARY TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.
8. ASSIGNED TO EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES FOR TERRITORIAL FORCES.
9. IN MILITARY POST OFFICES AND MILITARY POSTAL SERVICES.
10. IN MILITARY TOPOGRAPHICAL SERVICES.
11. WORKING AS CLERKS, CASHIERS, CLEANING AND MAINTAINING BUILDINGS, HEATING FACILITIES.
12. EMPLOYED IN OFFICERS' CLUBS, SOLDIERS' CLUBS, VARIOUS KINDS OF ARTISTIC ENSEMBLES AND ORCHESTRAS (NOT MILITARY BANDS). ATHLETIC GROUPS, AND RECREATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

30. TARASOV SAID HE COULD GIVE A REPLY NOW TO THE NEXT TO LAST OF THE QUESTIONS ASKED BY THE US REP. EASTERN REPS HAD ALREADY TOLD WESTERN REPS PREVIOUSLY THAT, IN THE GROUND FORCES OF THE EASTERN DIRECT PARTICIPANTS, THERE WERE NO DIVISIONS WHOSE PERSONNEL HAD NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN THE FIGURES FOR MAJOR FORMATIONS. THIS MEANT THAT THE SOVIET ARTILLERY DIVISION STATIONED AS A PART OF THE SOVIET FORCES IN THE GDR HAD BEEN INCLUDED BY EASTERN REPS IN THE CATEGORY OF LARGE FORMATIONS. IT ALSO MEANT THAT THE AIRBORNE DIVISION OF THE POLISH PEOPLES' REPUBLIC HAD ALSO BEEN INCLUDED BY THE EAST IN LARGE FORMATIONS IN THE FIGURES WHICH HAD BEEN PRESENTED BY THE EAST FOR POLAND. THE WESTERN UNDERSTANDING WAS CORRECT THAT THE DIVISION PROTECTING THE SEACOAST OF THE POLISH PEOPLES' REPUBLIC HAD NOT BEEN INCLUDED AT ALL IN THE STRENGTHS OF THE GROUND FORCES PRESENTED BY EASTERN REPS FOR THE GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL OF THE WARSAW TREATY COUNTRIES, FOR THE REASONS EASTERN REPS HAD ALREADY GIVEN EARLIER.

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31. SOVIET REPS SAID, AS POLISH REP HAD ALREADY STATED, EASTERN REPS WOULD GIVE THE ANSWERS TO THE REMAINING QUESTIONS ON THE NEXT OCCASION.

32. US REP SAID IN THE FOLLOWING SESSION ON APRIL 4, US DELEGATION WOULD BE THE HOST. HE SUGGESTED THAT IN VIEW OF THE HUNGARIAN NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION ON THE NEXT DAY, IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO START THE SESSION AT 9:30 INSTEAD OF 10:00. EASTERN REPS AGREED. US REP SUGGESTED THAT MILITARY ADVISORS BE PRESENT. HE CONFIRMED THAT AIR MANPOWER DATA WOULD BE EXCHANGED. HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT EACH SIDE MIGHT GIVE MORE ANSWERS AND THERE WOULD BE MORE QUESTIONS.

33. TARASOV SAID THE EAST WOULD HAVE ONLY ONE GENERAL PAPER IN THE APRIL 4 SESSION IN ORDER TO ECONOMIZE ON TIME TO PERMIT DEALING WITH QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

34. THE SESSION WAS CONCLUDED.RESOR

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